



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Darla K. NOLAN Serial No. 09/838,638 Filed: April 19, 2001 COMPUTER SYSTEM AND For: METHOD WITH ADAPTIVE N-LEVEL STRUCTURES FOR AUTOMATED GENERATION OF) PROGRAM SOLUTIONS BASED ON RULES INPUT BY SUBJECT **MATTER EXPERTS**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Please cancel Claims 51-54, 60-63, 69-73, 75-92, and 94-113 without prejudice.

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action with Restriction Requirement dated February 23, 2004, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1–50, 55-59, 64-68, 74 and 93 (drawn to rule-base system, classified in class 706, subclass 47), for prosecution at this time.

This response does not present any new matter. Accordingly, as all requirements of the Action have been complied with, an action on the merits and a Notice of Allowance are hereby